

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1271

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Harold Kenneth Christian upon winning the Tennessee State Checkers Championship.

WHEREAS, we take great pride in honoring those exceptional individuals who, through their notable triumphs, are a credit to the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable individual is Harold Kenneth Christian, who was recently named Tennessee State Checkers Champion; and

WHEREAS, a native of Watertown, Mr. Christian has excelled in the game of checkers since first being introduced to the game in the fourth grade; and

WHEREAS, Harold Christian proudly served his nation as a member of the United States Air Force. During his twenty-year military career, he was stationed throughout the country, including the states of Alabama, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Nebraska, Texas, and Wyoming; he also served at the Pentagon and at outposts in Germany and Pakistan; and

WHEREAS, upon returning home to Tennessee, Mr. Christian served with acumen and alacrity for twenty-two years at E.I. DuPont deNemours, Co., in Old Hickory, and he is also a highly regarded auctioneer; and

WHEREAS, ever committed to public service, Harold Christian provided solid leadership and thoughtful guidance for his fellow citizens as a member of the Wilson County Commission, representing the 7th District for two years; and

WHEREAS, exemplifying the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, Harold Christian enjoys the love and support he shares with his wife, Minnie Beatrice Christian; they are the proud parents of three daughters, Becky

Jennings, Tina Barry, and Angie Young; the grandparents of five grandchildren; and the great-grandparents of two great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Christian evinces his faith as an active member of Ramah Baptist Church in Watertown; and

WHEREAS, in his retirement, Harold Christian has become a formidable checkers player and has competed against a field of players with extraordinary levels of skill in checkers tournaments from Illinois to Alabama and throughout the South; and

WHEREAS, his untiring commitment of time and talent and steady composure during competition was justly rewarded with the title of Tennessee State Checkers Champion; and

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly find it appropriate to honor and congratulate this exemplary Tennessean on his outstanding achievement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we congratulate Harold Kenneth Christian upon winning the Tennessee State Checkers Championship and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.